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that the Railway authorities may be addressed regarding provision of convenience to 3rd class passengers.

To obviate over-crowding, carriages may be kept in reserve at convenient stations.

Reply of Government.—The Railway authorities will again be addressed in the matter.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL BOARDS.

(*Nos. 153 to 155.*)

SUBJECT NO. 153.

Measures to foster and stimulate Local Self-Government.

(*a*) Mr. H. V. Rangaswami, Hassan taluk.

(*b*) Mr. S. Venkatesiah, Hassan District Agricultural and Industrial Association.

(*c*) Mr. Girmaji Rao, Kolar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Appropriate measures may be adopted with a view to foster and stimulate Local Self-Government in the State, and thereby convert the existing Local and Municipal Boards into living and useful institutions in the Government of the State.

(*b*) It is desirable to appoint non-official gentlemen as Presidents of Municipalities. The experiment may be tried at the district headquarters.

(*c*) Municipal councils may be allowed to elect their Vice-Presidents.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) and (*b*) A special committee is considering the subject.

(*c*) Noted.

SUBJECT NO. 154.

The utilization of 75 per cent of Local Funds for works of improvement in the same taluk.

Mr. Suryanarayanasetty, Arkalgud taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The allotment from the District Funds to the taluks is inadequate for their requirements. The receipts of one taluk are being utilised for works in another. Orders may be passed for utilising at least 75 per cent of the receipts of the taluk on works of improvement decided upon by the Taluk Board concerned.

Reply of Government.—A special committee is considering the subject.

SUBJECT NO. 155.

Lapsed amounts in Unions.

Mr. Nadig Bhima Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Allotments made for works in a Union lapse to the District Fund, if they are not spent before the end of the year. The lapsed sum is not necessarily reallotted to the same Union during the next year. This may be remedied.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

MEDICAL.

(*Nos. 156 to 160.*)

SUBJECT NO. 156.

Free medical aid to poor raiyats.

Mr. Krishnamurti Rao, Magadi taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The Sub-Assistant Surgeons in charge of taluk and village hospitals may be made to visit poor raiyats at their homes in villages free of charge, as they do in the case of Amildars and other high paid officers who can afford to pay.

Medical men in Government service may be prohibited from having private practice and thus the possibility of their neglecting patients that attend hospitals may be avoided.

Reply of Government.—Not feasible.

SUBJECT No. 157.

Ayurvedic system of treatment.

Messrs. C. Vasudeva Rao, Chikmagalur taluk and A. Guru Rao, Kadur District Board.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) It is requested that the usefulness of the Ayurvedic system of treatment may be investigated by appointing a committee of great Indian *Vaidyas* for the purpose.

(*b*) The present Pandits may be recognised as Government servants.

(*c*) The Ayurvedic system of treatment may be brought into force in the malnad by appointing passed men and giving them the status and prospects of Sub-Assistant Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of the Medical Department.

Mr. C. Vasudeva Rao.—Drugs are locally available and trained men are also forthcoming. *Vaidyas* who have received training in the Ayurvedic College can do good in the moffussil. As many patients undergo treatment under *Vaidyas*, there is a necessity for itinerant doctors. The *Vaidyas* may be treated as Government servants.

Messrs. Anniah Pandit and Srinivasa Rao also spoke on the subject. They said that raiyats had faith in the *Vaidyas*.

Reply of Government.—(*a*) Not necessary.

(*b*) Cannot be done.

(*c*) The question of developing Ayurvedic institutions by means of grants-in-aid from Government, will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 158.

Sites for camping out during outbreak of epidemics.

Mr. S. Venkatesaiya, Hassan District Agricultural and Industrial Association.

Summary of discussion.—(1) The village sites in maidan taluks are small and as no assessed or unassessed sites are set apart for occupation during emergencies such as outbreak of plague, etc., it is prayed that suitable sites may be set apart for such purposes outside the village.

(2) Some unassessed Government land near each village may be set apart for the purpose of camping out during outbreaks of plague.

(3) In the Hassan town there are no proper camping grounds, as the old camping grounds have been taken up by the Railway Department.

Reply of Government.—This may be considered by the Village Improvement Committees under the Village Improvement Scheme. Government will sympathetically consider proposals to acquire suitable lands for the purpose.